IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002. A Request for Extension of Time is included herewith. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

A method of screening a compound for effectiveness in treating or 30. (Amended) (30). preventing a viral

infection, comprising:

a) administering the compound to a cell containing a cellular gene comprising the nucleic acid set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1/9, SEQ ID NO: 30, SEQ ID NO: 40, SEQ ID NO: 2/1, SEQ ID NO; 60, SEQ ID NO: 65, SEQ ID NO: 75, SEQ ID NO: 76, SEQ ID NO: 108001 SEQ ID NO: 122 or a homolog thereof, and functionally encoding a gene product neces gry for reproduction of the virus in the cell but not necessary for survival of the cell; 11/25/2002 CTHOMAS2